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SUBJ: INCENDIARY DEVICE AT VENEZUELAN CONSULATE GENERAL

1. AT APPROXIMATELY 12:30 AM, NOV 21, LATIN AMERICAN DESK OF ASSOCIATED PRESS RECEIVED CALL FROM AN UNKNOWN SPANISH-SPEAKING MALE WHO STATED HE HAD PLACED A BOMB AT VENEZUELAN CONSULATE, CALLER SAID HE REPRESENTED REVOLUTIONARY ARMY OF LATIN AMERICAN ANTI-COMMUNISTS AND INDICATED BOMB WAS PLACED TO PROTEST VENEZUELA'S EFFORTS TO LIFT ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST CUBA. ASSOCIATED PRESS ALERTED DUPUTY CONSUL GENERAL WHO IN TURN TELEPHONED CARETAKER WHO LIVES AT CONSULATE. CARETAKER MADE INSPECTION OF PREMISES AND NOTICED WHAT LOOKED TO BE A BUNDLE OF RAGS AND NEWSPAPERS ON SIDEWALK IN FRONT OF A HEAVY BRASS DOOR NEXT TO GLASS DOORS WHICH SERVE AS MAIN ENTRANCE TO CONSULATE. UPON EXAMINING PACKAGE, CARETAKER NOTICED WIRES ATTACHED TO A CLOCK. HE CUT THE WIRES, BROUGHT OBJECT INTO CONSULATE, AND WENT TO BED. POLICE WERE NOT NOTIFIED UNTIL 9:00AM.

2. NEW YORK CITY POLICE BOMB EXPERTS EXAMINED OBJECT AND

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DISCOVERED IT WAS AN INCENDIARY DEVICE CONTAINING SMOKELESS

POWDER AND WIRES ATTACHED TO A CLOCK. THE POWDER HAD NOT IGNITED BECAUSE OF A FAULTY TIMING DEVICE. POLICE EXPLAINED THIS TYPE OF DEVICE WOULD DO NO REAL DAMAGE, HAD THE POWDER IGNITED, IT WOULD HAVE LEFT BLACK SMUDGE ON DOOR. POLICE DESCRIBED INCIDENT AS HARASSMENT TACTIC.

3. USUN SECURITY OFFICER VISITED CONSULATE GENERAL AND FOUND NEW YORK CITY POLICE AND FBI ON SCENE. BOTH POLICE AND FBI ARE INVESTIGATING INCIDENT. INCENDIARY DEVICE IS BEING SENT TO FBI LABORATORIES FOR EXAMINATION AND COMPARISON.

4. CONSUL GENERAL REQUESTED POLICE PROTECTION FOR CONSULATE AND POLICE HAVE AGREED TO 24 HOUR FIXED POST AT 7 EAST 51 ST ST. CONSULATE OCCUPIES ENTIRE BUILDING AT THAT ADDRESS. VENEZUELAN GOVT TOURIST BUREAU, 485 MADISON AVE, AND VENEZUELAN UN MISSION, 231 EAST 46TH ST, WILL BE GIVEN "SPECIAL ATTENTION" BY RAID CARS AND FOOT PATROLMEN IN AREA.

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